

My Mother's Rocking-Chair Sent Me to the Homemaker The One and Only McNichol!

"Oh, once to hear my mother's squeaky chair
Go creaky-creaky on the polished floor,
And see her sitting calmly knitting there—
And I before her as a child once more!
I've traveled all the earth around
And heard such music as a lullaby bears—
But never has there been so sweet a sound
As mother's rocking—to my ears!"

"Homelick at last—a man alone—
I thought and thought on how to change my lot.
I grew so weary of this getting stone
For bread—living I call it not.
There was a chair—a rocking-chair I met
In walking through a mighty house of art;
'Twas like the one I never can forget—
It started me and smote upon my heart!"

"I asked the genial owner of this place
Some queries, and the answers made me glad.
I went and rented me a little space
And now I never shall be dull or sad—
To me a very palace does it seem.
Although so tiny and so cheaply earned,
That rocking-chair has set my soul a-dream—
To earlier, happier years my eyes are turned."

"A bachelor—ah, yes; you wouldn't think
In this dear home to find a clumsy man.
But I can help myself to food and drink
And sweetest rest with this installment plan.
McNICHOL'S name I'll cherish as no other—
His pretty goods broke down my cold reserve;
His way of doing makes me think of mother—
That chair set going my home-loving nerve."

Boys out in the world are often as homesick as girls. A sure
cure is to get a home of your own. See

THE ONLY McNICHOL, 1015-22-24 Market St., St. Louis, Mo.
(Trade Mark.)

CASH OR CREDIT!

LOW, EASY TERMS!

The Only McNichol!

Is Not a Broken Stick!

Thousands Lean on Him!

N. B.—Better get fixed before the rush sets in. You'll surely need a
home this summer.

Sir Knight 4th Shoe

Union Made

Leather, Looks,
Worth and Wear

Style Book mailed free

Wertheimer Swartz Shoe Co.
ST. LOUIS, U.S.A.

"The Bargain Hunters"

\$80.00 Given Away

See Large Ad, Page 5, Part IV,
to-day, and look out for the
Bargain Advertisement of

The Hub Furniture Co.
In The Republic next WEDNES-
DAY morning.

Fear for Victor Seafeld.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
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Fenn has been asked to locate Victor F.
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chinery, a magazine published in St.
Louis, who came here March 2, presum-
ably to attend the wedding of his mother.
A report from St. Louis says he has not
been heard of since, and foul play is sus-
pected.

Your Silver May Be Made
To look new and bright by the use of
Mermord & Jaccard's (Broadway and Locust)
Silver Polish—a large box, 15c.

Recruits Depart for Philippines.
Two hundred recruits for the United
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Mutual Life Agents' Banquet.
Representatives of the Mutual Life In-
surance Company, including the local
agents and those who are here to attend a
banquet given by the officers of the com-
pany at the Hotel Monticello to-morrow
evening.

Dockery Appoints Wilcox.
REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Chillicothe, Mo., May 7.—Governor Dock-
ery appointed C. F. Wilcox Public Admin-
istrator of Livingston County yesterday.

Army Orders.
REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Washington, May 7.—Army orders were is-
sued today as follows:
Captain Wm. R. Grove, commissary, will pro-
ceed from Kansas City, Mo., to Junction City,
Mo., on official business pertaining to the in-
spection of subsistence stores.

Civil-Service Examination.
REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Washington, May 7.—An examination is an-
nounced by the United States Civil-Service
Commission for June 8 at various places through-
out the country, for the position of civil engi-
neer, Bureau of Forestry, Philippines service,
at \$4,000 per annum.

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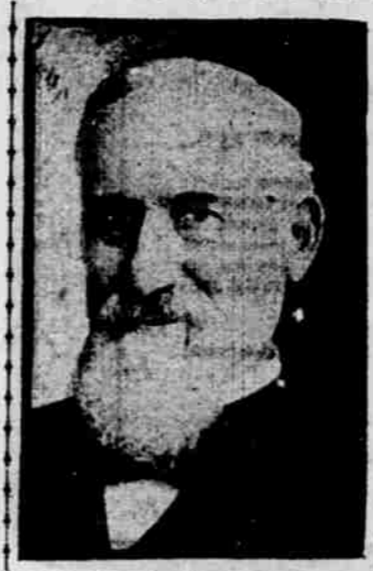
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FORMER CONGRESSMAN SPARKS TO BE BURIED AT CARLYLE, ILL.

Able Jurist and Man Who Passed
Away Yesterday Was Gradu-
ate of McKendree College.



WILLIAM A. J. SPARKS.
Who died suddenly yesterday at his home,
No. 432 Westminster place.

The funeral of William A. J. Sparks,
who died suddenly yesterday afternoon at
his home, No. 432 Westminster place, will
take place from the Catholic Church at
Carlyle, Ill., where he formerly lived.
Mr. Sparks was born in New Albany,
Ind., in 1828 and moved to Illinois with
his widowed mother in his early child-
hood. He entered McKendree College at
Lebanon, Ill., and graduated from that
institution with honors.

Soon after his graduation Mr. Sparks
was appointed assistant clerk of the House
of Representatives of Illinois.
He later studied law and was admitted
to the Illinois bar, entering upon the
practice of law at Carlyle.
Mr. Sparks was elected to Congress in
1878 and served for sixteen years. Dur-
ing this time he was appointed Commis-
sioner of the General Land Office by Pres-
ident Cleveland.

Mr. Sparks spent most of the latter
years of his life traveling in Europe with
his family. He leaves a wife, Mrs. Sadie
Tyler of St. Louis is his niece.

METHODISTS HAVE WORK IN HAND

Ministerial Time Limit One of
the Difficult Questions to
Be Settled.

SENTIMENT FAR FROM UNITED.

Nebraska Conference Asks That
Bishops Be Elected for
Twelve-Year Term Instead
of For Life.

Los Angeles, Cal., May 7.—The end of the
first week of the thirty-first general con-
ference of the Methodist Church saw much
preliminary matter and details dis-
posed of, and the great gathering nearly
ready to take up the more important work
before it.
In the initial session of the leading
committees one question above all others
has been brought prominently to the fore.
It is the question of whether the present
conference shall restore the ministerial
time limit of three or five years, or permit
the present plan of unlimited tenure, which
was adopted at the general conference
four years ago, to continue.

BISHOPS RETICENT.
The Bishops in their annual address
touched upon this question, but refrained
from expressing any opinion that could be
construed by the conference as one way or
another, and as yet there has been no
authoritative statement of the subject
from anyone in the conference.

The Committee on Itinerancy has this
matter in charge and the members, as
shown by the first meeting when the
question was broached, indicate that al-
though not harmonious in the disposal
of this problem. Many of the annual
conferences have memorialized the general
conference to take action on the matter
and restore either the three or five year
limit. Ten memorials were read by the
secretary of the Committee on Itinerancy at
the first meeting and many times the
number are expected to be filed with the
subcommittee, which has the matter in
hand before final action is taken on the
subject in committee next Friday.

SENTIMENT SHIFTING.
There seems to be a growing sentiment
in the membership of the church, accord-
ing to many of the delegates, that the
historic system of an itinerant minister is
in danger of being destroyed by an un-
limited pastoral service, and it has had
its effect on many of the delegates. In
addition, a considerable number of min-
isters, who are located in the less desir-
able fields, and an army of laymen, who
find themselves in possession of the less
popular pastors, are clamoring for a time
limit that will give them the benefit of a
change.

On the other hand, strong conservative
leaders, like Doctors Buckley, Epham,
King, Day, Little and the younger pas-
tors, like Doctors Eckman, Downey, An-
derson and Hughes, who are now serving
beyond the old five-year limit in their
favorite parishes, will endeavor to hold the
church to four years' further trial of the
unlimited service.

MANY MEMORIALS.
There are now before the conference a
sufficient number of memorials, resolu-
tions and petitions on various subjects to
occupy a session lasting twice as long as
that planned. A favorite theme is the
amusement paragraph, most of the mem-
orials on this subject being against any
change.

One memorial is submitted from Nebras-
ka, asking that the term for which Bish-
ops are elected be changed from life to
twelve years. This question has been dis-
cussed before, but it is unlikely that the
matter will receive serious considera-
tion. The memorial calls for more rigid dis-
cipline of personal conduct, while others di-
rectly oppose it and favor a more liberal
superiority. The South Carolina Confer-
ence has presented a large memorial ask-
ing for the election of a Bishop of African
descent.

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LOAN OF \$300 COST \$20,000.

New York Automobile Dealer's
Unfortunate Experience With
Money Lenders.

USURER'S CLERK IS ARRESTED

Is Accused of Forging Mortgage
Under Which Borrower's En-
tire Business Was Sold
for a Song.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
New York, May 7.—How a loan of \$300,
from one of the Rothschild usury shops,
cost Walter H. Stearns, an automobile
dealer, \$20,000, was revealed to-day through
the arrest of Miss Olga M. Garrett, a
former clerk of the Aetna Loan Company,
on a charge of forgery.
Julius Martin, a lawyer at No. 222
Broadway, was brought in later, charged
with grand larceny. Stearns accused him
of going to No. 114 Fifth avenue to fore-
close the mortgage and ordering the auc-
tioneer to dispose of everything in the
place.

Assistant District Attorney Kresel told
this story, leading up to Miss Garrett's
arrest.
"Walter H. Stearns was in the automo-
bile business at No. 114 Fifth avenue in
February, 1902, when he went to the Aetna
Loan Company, at No. 21 Park row, for a
loan of \$300. Amanda Cahn, a relative of
Julius Rothschild, brother of David Roth-
schild, Stearns' president, ran the place,
and Miss Garrett was her clerk.
Stearns got a check for his \$300 and gave
it to her. She cashed it and gave him the
money. She also gave him a mortgage on
his business, and he agreed to pay her
\$10 a month interest on the loan. He
paid interest for six months, and then
she told him that the mortgage was
forged."

When seizure was made, it was dis-
covered that the mortgage embraced the
entire business of the automobile dealer,
and two automobiles worth \$20,000, and
the whole lot of his business, was seized
and sold for \$20,000. Stearns was left
with nothing but his \$300 loan, and he
hasn't got any of his money back.
The Grand Jury is investigating this out-
rage, and the arrest of Miss Garrett will
follow. She is charged with forgery, and
she will have to take the case to trial.
Miss Garrett was held in \$1,000 bail for
examination Friday.

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Our spring stock is complete. The selections are
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invited to visit our splendid establishment. There
is much that is interesting. -- -- -- --

For Furniture, Carpets Rugs and Draperies

Special inducements are offered in every depart-
ment. Now is the time to buy, as the stock is full
and very choice. Every grade and price we show.

GEORGIA-STIMSON

FURNITURE AND CARPET CO.

616-618 Washington Ave.



We challenge the world to produce the equal of Eupesia Ta-
blets for the cure of all stomach troubles arising from imperfect di-
gestion. We don't care how many doctors have treated you, nor
how many other remedies you have tried, nor how obstinate the
case may be, nor of how long standing. EUPEZIA TABLETS are
guaranteed.

A CASE OF TEN YEARS' STANDING CURED.
For ten years I have had stomach trouble of the worst kind. I could not eat anything
and lived mostly on butter. My stomach would beat and throw all the time and what
suffered no tongue can tell. I was a total wreck and weighed only 100 pounds and I did weigh
150. I feel better now and stronger. I doctored with all the best doctors in St. Louis and I
spent all I had for relief and was cured with two boxes of EUPEZIA TABLETS.

NOTE—We have hundreds of other letters, some admitting the cure of diseases as much
as thirty years' standing. We will furnish you the genuine authority for
Eupesia Tablets. The EUPESIA TABLETS are the possession of a successful
specialist on stomach diseases. They contain no bromides, morphine, opium or strychnine,
and the danger of addiction is impossible. EUPESIA TABLETS are not offered as a
cure-all, but they will cure dyspepsia and are sold by druggists or direct for 50 cents. Sam-
ple bottles of EUPESIA TABLETS are sent free by address.

THE EUPEZIA CHEMICAL CO., 409 Walnut St., St. Louis, Mo.

STATEMENT OF BANK AVERAGES.

Feature of the Week Was High Re-
cord for Loans and Deposits.

New York, May 7.—The statement of
averages of the clearing-house banks of this
city, for the week shows: Loans \$1-
071,000,000, increase \$1,232,300; deposits \$1-
121,712,000, increase \$1,745,000; circulation
\$28,774,000, increase \$5,990; legal tenders, \$75-
011,500, decrease \$1,982,221; specie \$23,619,200,
decrease \$4,085,400; reserve \$305,652,000, de-
crease \$4,085,400; reserve required \$282,928-
200, increase \$4,336,500; surplus \$22,734,200,
decrease \$10,420,000; except United States
deposits \$2,741,550, decrease \$10,485,250.
The striking feature of the statement
of the New York Associated Banks last
week were still higher and most remark-
able records for loans and deposits; also
an unusually large reduction in surplus re-
serve. Loans were expanded \$1,232,300, re-
flecting as in previous weeks, extensive
corporation and syndicate borrowing.
The cash holdings of these banks were
reduced by \$4,085,400, which reduction closely
corresponds with the average losses
resulting from the movement of gold to
Europe during the fortnight, less the av-
erage of the amount of Japanese gold
which was transferred from San Francisco
last week. Deposits were in-
creased by \$1,745,000, which amount is \$2-
063,600 greater than the sum of the in-
crease in loans, less the decrease in cash;
consequently the statement does not bal-
ance. The requirements for work on Monday
need make no further applications.
There will be no further negotiations
with the striking machinists, said Gen-
eral Manager Mudge to-day. Vice Pres-
ident Buckle of the Machinists' Union, who
has reports showing that the strike
is seriously affecting the engines
of the Erie Railroad, said that the
Santa Fe officials, however, assert
that no inconvenience is being experi-
enced.

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PRICED a bit lower than the average suit, with 50 per cent more quality.

None genuine without the label on the coat sleeve.

On Sale at Leading Stores